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## GALE EXPECTED

### Typhoon Heading For HK

The typhoon, "Louise," which yesterday struck North Luzon is heading for Hongkong and gale winds are expected early tomorrow morning.

The No. 1 typhoon signal was hoisted at 10 o'clock this morning.

This was revealed this morning by the Royal Observatory in a statement issued at 10.45.

The Observatory stated that the typhoon, which crossed North Luzon yesterday, entered the China Sea late last night, and at 9 a.m. today was centred about 300 miles southeast of Hongkong, moving NW or NW, at 10 knots.

"It, as it seems likely, continues in its present course, the centre will pass within 100 miles south of Hongkong at about noon tomorrow (Wednesday).

The wind in Hongkong is expected to freshen from the north this evening, and to reach gale force early tomorrow morning.

"Any precautions which will take many hours to carry out should be put in hand at once."

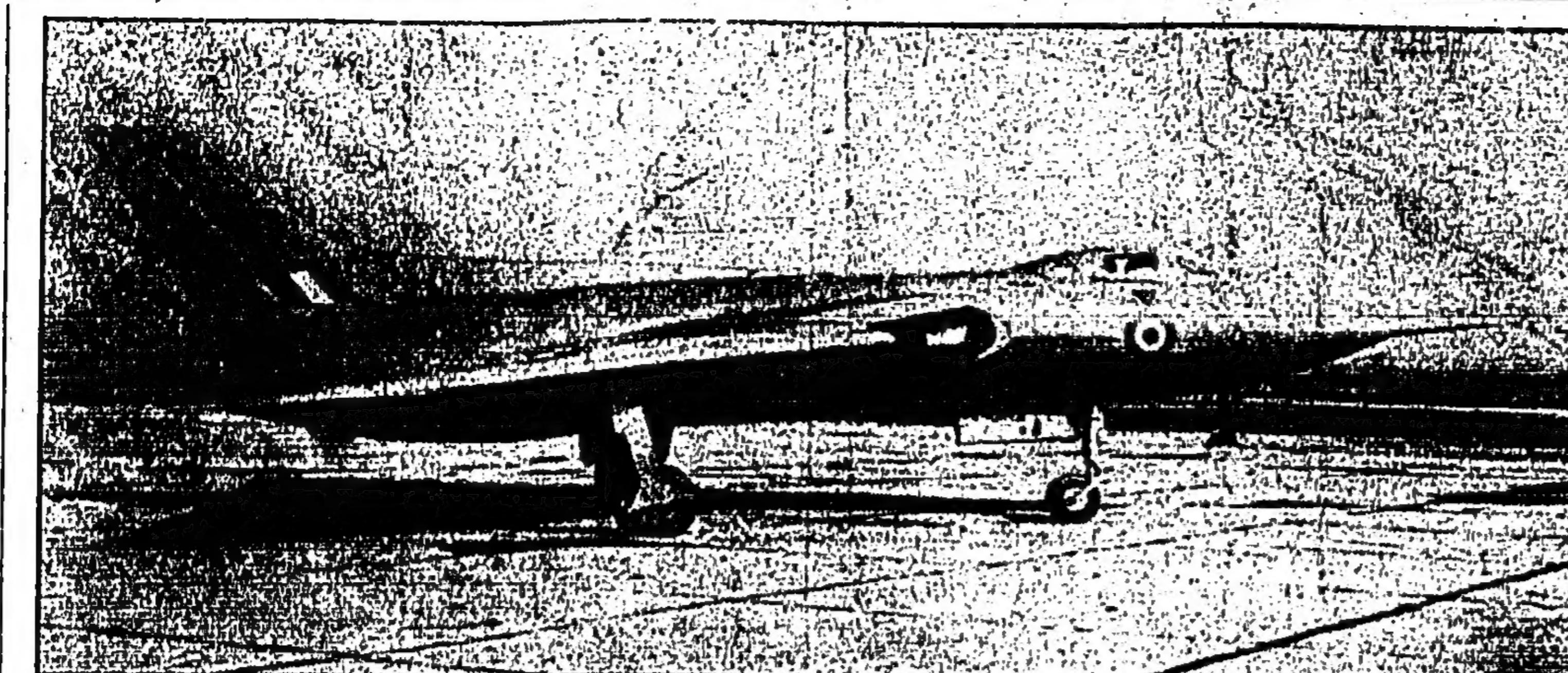
### Riot Outside Zanzibar Gaol

Dar Es Salaam, July 30.

Three people were killed and 11 were injured at Zanzibar when police fired on a crowd which was demonstrating outside a gaol.

Poole Captain J. E. Hull and three African constables were injured. The crowd was demonstrating against the imprisonment of 17 cattle owners for refusing to obey Government order to inoculate their cattle against anthrax.

Eleven others escaped from a police lorry when it was ambushed on its way to the gaol. Later six of the men gave themselves up.—Reuter.



The Avro Aircraft Company's second secret transonic Delta, the 707A, which has made its first flight successfully, has been hailed as the prototype design for aircraft of the future. Here is the Delta "Flying Triangle" jet plane photographed at Boscombe before its successful test flight.

### Mystery Man Reports To Police

Paris, July 30. The mysterious "Curly Blonde Pole" who is thought to be the last person to have seen Marta Smigly-Ridz, murdered wife of the Polish Marshal, before she disappeared, today reported to Surete headquarters in Paris.

He gave his name as Zbigniew Nosalowski, 37, traveller in perfume. He said he met Madame Smigly-Ridz for the first time in June. His interrogation was continuing tonight.

The decapitated and dismembered body of Marta Smigly-Ridz was found in a sack under a bridge at Crois d'Uelle, near Monaco, earlier this month.

Marshal Smigly-Ridz, Polish Commander-in-Chief in 1939, disappeared after the Russo-German invasion.—Reuter.

### Oil Refinery Closes Today

Abadan, July 30. At 7.30 a.m. on Tuesday British engineers will officially close down the largest oil refinery in the world.

Under the order, the great distillation unit known to workers as "B-80" will cease operation. The "B-80" normally handles 3,000,000 gallons of crude oil daily. For the last two weeks only 2,500,000 gallons have been flowing through the pipes daily, and on Monday night that will be cut down to 1,500,000, preparatory to the shutdown.

The last time the Abadan refinery was shut down was for three days in August 1941, following landings by Allied troops.—United Press.

## Churchill Wants US To Play A New Role

London, July 30. Mr Winston Churchill today asked the United States to play a great new role in the Middle East to help the West recover the prestige and power which he said the Labour Government had frittered away there.

Speaking for the Opposition in the major debate on the Middle East, Mr Churchill said in the House of Commons that Britain alone could not retrieve the losses to be suffered by six years of Socialist "mistakes and miscalculations" in this vital and vulnerable area.

"It can only be retrieved, at lower level in any case than before the second World War, by the joint co-operative action of Britain and the United States and, in the Mediterranean sphere, of France."

Mr Churchill said events in Iran and Egypt could prove more damaging to the United States than those in Korea. After paying tribute to American "sacrifices and exertions" in Korea, he added: "But, in the material and geographical sense Korea, after all, is a promontory jutting out into salt water ruled by American sea power under an air canopy controlled in the main by American air forces. It is not a place from which things can spread in a physical way against the main interests of the United Nations."

"The material and strategic importance of Iran and Egypt, on the other hand, and the relation of those countries to the Atlantic Pact system, profoundly affect American interests and the success of their world policy, in which Great Britain and the Dominions of the Commonwealth are all joined."

Mr Churchill strongly attacked the Government for releasing sterling balances to Egypt at a moment when Egypt was blocking the Suez Canal and trying to force Britain out of the Canal Zone.—United Press.

### Diplomat Cleared Of Charges

Washington, July 30.

The career diplomat John Paton Davies was cleared today on security charges after a weeklong State Department investigation. He was immediately restored to his post on the Secretary of State's policy and planning staff.

The secret charges were not announced but the Department said in a statement that it had "full confidence" in the 43-year-old official, whom it described as "one of the Department's outstanding foreign affairs officers."

Mr Davies was suspended on June 27 along with the Far-Eastern expert, Edmund Clubb, whose case comes before the Board tomorrow. The State Department's loyalty security Board decision on Mr Davies must be reviewed by President Truman's higher level Loyalty Review Board but this has never reversed the decision of the Departmental Board.—United Press.

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The North Koreans and Chinese entered the conference room at 10.59, and the UN delegates entered at 11 a.m.—United Press.

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5. "Kashmir and the people of Kashmir are not commodities for barter or bargain. It is their inherent right to determine their own future."

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Brian Reece (PC 49) wearing his tropical version of a policeman's helmet "mis-weighs" a stocking for Paula Marshall (left) while Sheena Harvey waits her turn outside the Combined Services Entertainments office in London before leaving for the Far East. The three artistes, together with Bob Harbin, the illusionist, have now arrived in Japan on the way to Korea to entertain the troops.

**Syrian Cabinet Resigns**

Beirut, July 30. The Syrian Cabinet headed by Khaled El Azem resigned tonight.

Khaled El Azem formed his Government on March 27 this year, following the resignation of the Populist Premier, Nazim El Kudsi Bey, on March 9. Nazim El Kudsi's resignation was said to have followed differences within his Cabinet over the control of the police.—Reuter.

**C.I.G.S. ON RUSSIAN THREAT**

Klagenfurt, July 30. Field Marshal Sir William Slim, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, today told British troops in Austria that they were in the front line of the cold war.

Speaking at Klagenfurt, the headquarters of the British troops in Austria, Sir William said: "Remember that Russia is a great imperialist power and always has been. If it were not for Russia's desire to force her way of life on other peoples, there is no reason why she should not get on all right with the rest of the world. But this desire has to be resisted."

"This situation," the Field Marshal said, "has produced the cold war—one of the reasons why you are here. In places the war is not so cold, as for example in Korea."

The object of these various incidents is to wear us down and expand our resources which could otherwise be used to increase our standard of life, and behind all this is the threat that we may be involved in a third great war."

"The only way to stop that coming is to be ready for it."

"Dictators do not start wars unless they are pretty sure that they can win and win quickly," Field Marshal Slim added.

"General Eisenhower will we hope, in a reasonably short time, have forces at his disposal—Army, Navy and Air Forces—which will make it clear to any aggressor that they are not going to win so quickly or so easily."—Reuter.

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**INDIA OBJECTS TO CLAUSES IN JAPAN TREATY**

Washington, July 30. India today formally asked the United States to eliminate from the Japanese peace treaty any provision for the stationing of American forces "in and around Japan" after the pact is signed.

In an aide memoire presented to the special Presidential representative, Mr John Foster Dulles, by the Indian Minister, M. K. Kirpalani, the Indian Government also urged a specific treaty provision that the strategic island of Formosa be declared the property of China.

The aide memoire also expressed doubt as to the wisdom of the current treaty provision granting United States trusteeship over the Ryukyu and Bonin Islands.

It is clear that the New Delhi Government does not oppose a post-treaty conclusion of a bilateral security pact between the United States and Japan providing that any mention of this should be deleted from the treaty. An Indian official said his Government believed that its stipulation in the general treaty "spoils the document."

The Indian Government which was one of the first countries to recognise Communist China, did not ask that Formosa be specifically awarded to the Reds. Its aide memoire mentioned merely "China," and Indian officials said it would be up to "future developments" to determine the rest.

The feeling of the Indian Government is that the treaty should deprive Japan only of the territory which she gained by conquest and the Ryukyu and Bonin islands asserted to be outside this category.

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The scheme, which also includes a tax-free grant to all regulars at the end of their service, may eventually cost £5,000,000 a year.

The grants are to enable the long-service regulars to re-settle in civil life. Officers will get £1,000, irrespective of rank.

For non-commissioned soldiers, sailors and airmen the grant will vary with rank and length of service from £100 to £600. — Reuter.

**GENERAL  
ELECTIONS  
IN GREECE**

Athens, July 30. King Paul of Greece today signed a decree dissolving Parliament and proclaiming fresh elections for September 9.

The Greek Government, of the Liberal Prime Minister, M. Sophocles Venizelos, resigned on Saturday night. His Liberal-Democratic Socialist Coalition Cabinet had resigned on July 1, but at the King's request he carried on with an all-Liberal Government to pass a new electoral law providing for a system of "reinforced proportional representation" resembling that used in the French elections.

This was approved by Parliament on Wednesday.

The new Greek Parliament will convene on October 10.

King Paul asked M. Venizelos to supervise the elections reshuffling his all-Liberal Cabinet so that the key Ministries should be held by non-political personalities. — Reuter.

**PAPAGOS' DECISION**

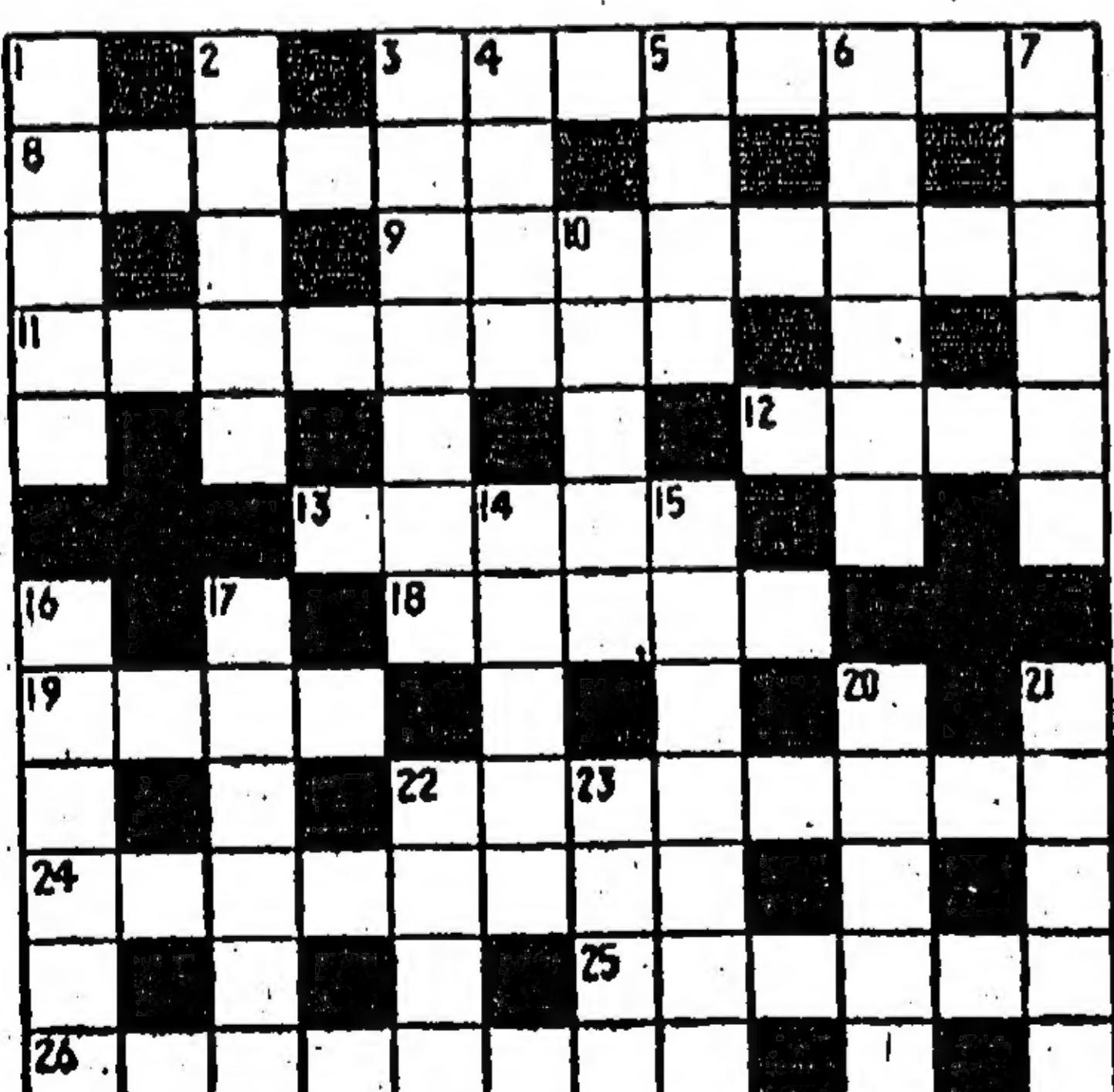
Athens, July 30. Field Marshal Alexander Papagos, who resigned as Commander-in-Chief of the Greek armed forces on May 20, stated tonight that he had decided to enter politics and to participate in the forthcoming Greek elections.

The announcement of Field Marshal Papagos' resignation said that he had resigned for "reasons of health," but few observers in Greece credited the explanation. It was suggested that he had had "differences with the King." — Reuter.

**Adm. Horton Dead**

London, July 30. Admiral Max Kennedy Horton, Commander-in-Chief, Western Approaches, at the height of the Battle of the Atlantic in the last war, died today in a London nursing home. He was aged 68 and had been ill for some weeks. — Reuter.

**A British Crossword Puzzle**



**ACROSS**  
3 Stain (6).  
8 Tiara (6).  
9 Extinct creature (9).  
11 Telephone worker (6).  
12 Basin (4).  
13 Corpulent (6).  
18 Fashion (6).  
19 Eager (4).  
22 Scorned (8).  
24 Begs (8).  
25 Disclose (6).  
26 Quietened (6).

**DOWN**  
1 Fool (5).  
2 Harbour (5).  
3 Smears (7).  
4 Radiate (4).  
5 Africa (4).  
6 Motive (6).  
7 Move rapidly (6).  
10 Clamorous (5).  
14 Anesthetic (5).  
15 Pissed by (7).  
16 Alters (6).  
17 Force (6).  
20 Tree (6).  
21 Confuse (5).  
22 Fluff (4).  
23 Withered (4).

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD** — Across: 3. Suspects, 7. Frump, 8. Lacertae, 10. Retain, 13. Elastic, 15. Safe, 17. Mortified, 18. Modicum, 20. Ewer, 21. Service, 26. Needed, 28. Obdurate, 29. Loose, 29. Ransack. Down: 1. Alro, 2. Quits, 3. Split, 4. Poor, 5. Craved, 6. Hooped, 9. Anxious, 11. Elbow, 12. Aspirin, 14. Content, 15. Slave, 16. Fense, 18. Merop, 19. Deaden, 22. Recols, 23. Adroit, 24. Edges, 25. Arta.

# Amazing Outburst Against U.S. Aid Plan For Asian Nations

Washington, July 30.

The chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Tom Connally, today attacked the administrator of the Marshall Plan for seeking funds to bolster "little wobbling countries" in Asia.

The unexpected outburst by the veteran Texas Democrat occurred in an open session of the Committee as it heard the Administrator, Mr William Foster, on the \$8,500,000,000 foreign arms and economic aid bill.

Senator Connally apparently had been netted by the earlier decision of the Committee to conduct further hearings on the bill with the Armed Services Committee also attending, which he had opposed.

Mr Foster testified that Western Europe was now producing 44 per cent more industrial goods than before World War II. He then urged Congress to authorise \$930,000,000 for military and economic aid for Asiatic countries.

Senator Connally roared: "You fellows spend all your time thinking how to spend money while Congress is 'squeezing' the taxpayer for more revenue."

The Economic Co-operation Administration, according to Senator Connally, had been established to push for economic recovery in Europe and now should "get out of business."

"Now you're putting your emphasis on chasing problems in Southeast Asia — Western Europe is our big problem. It is through Western Europe that we're going to be attacked," he shouted.

**GLOBAL THREAT**

The United States could not subdue by itself, he continued, and now "you fellows want to take care of the whole world." "You're not the whole United States, but you act like it and talk like it. Now you want to build up and take care of these little wobbling countries."

Mr Foster tried to explain that he thought the threat of Communism was a global one and Southeast Asia could be immeasurably strengthened against Red penetration with a relatively small amount of United States aid. Mr Foster said Southeast Asia's rich raw materials were vital to the defense of the United States and the free world. He said expanding materials production there was of direct and urgent concern to Western defence.

Senator Connally would have none of it. He cut Mr Foster short to lecture him again before turning the questioning over to another Senator.

**INTERNAL DANGER**

Before Senator Connally's outburst, Mr Foster had told the Committee the countries of Southeast Asia are vulnerable not only to armed invasion but also in varying degrees to the danger of internal Communist subversion.

## Warning On Defence Expenditure

Washington, July 30.

The United States Army will need to increase its 1952 Budget by \$7,000 million if the Korean war continues, the Army Secretary, Mr Frank Pace, told Congress in a statement released today.

The Army's 1952 Budget has been provisionally estimated at \$20,702 million.

Mr Pace warned Congress that even if the Korean fighting were ended and America did not get involved in hostilities anywhere else in the coming year, the Army would still have to ask for a multi-million dollar supplement to the Budget.

His statement was disclosed today by the House of Representatives Military Appropriations Committee. It was contained in a release of testimony given to the Committee by Army chiefs in recent weeks.

The Committee has still to hear reports from Air Force and Navy commanders. — Reuter.

## Dutch Attitude On Spain

The Hague, July 30.

The Netherlands Government saw no need at present to approach the United States Government on the proposed purely bilateral defence arrangements between America and Spain, the Dutch Foreign Minister, Dr Dirk U. Stikker, said today.

Replying to written Parliamentary questions, he said the reports about these arrangements gave no cause to fear that Western European defence would be harmed by them. Dr Stikker had been asked by a Second Chamber Labour Member, Mr J. A. W. Burger, to tell the United States that there was "alarm" in Holland at the reported military co-operation between America and Franco Spain. — Reuter.

**Flights Cancelled**

The Hague, July 30.

The KLM Royal Dutch Airlines announced today that it had cancelled indefinitely all emigrant flights to Australia and New Zealand because of a fuel shortage resulting from the Persian oil crisis. The company said that all normal flights would continue as usual. — Reuter.



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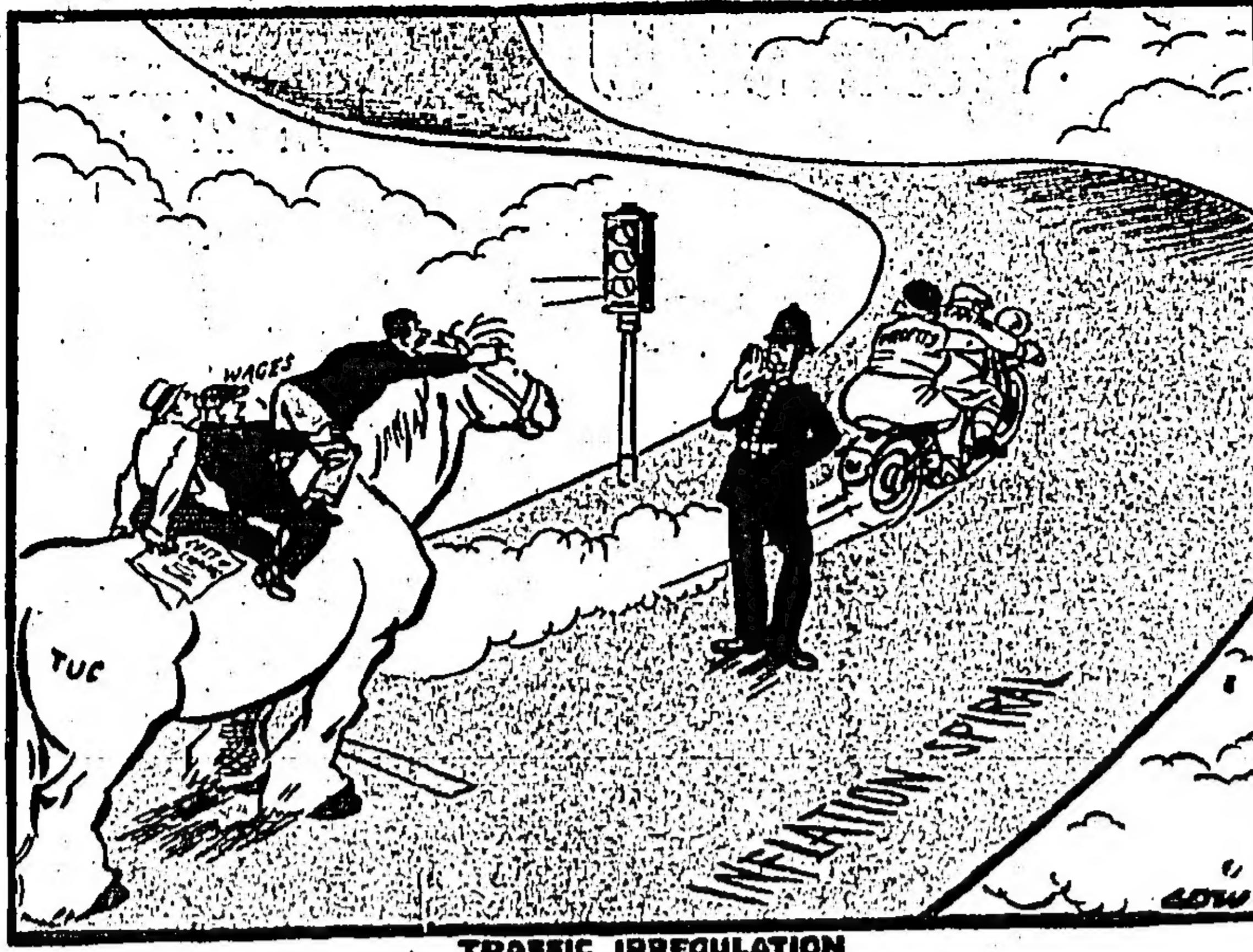
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## The army that Germany wants

How the ex-generals have now disclosed their plan at talks in Paris—with precise proposals to make the Wehrmacht strong...

by CHARLES WIGHTON

**T**HE German General Staff, that ruthlessly efficient military machine which planned 100 years of European war, has made its come-back.

It has a new plan for a new Wehrmacht which will give Germany the most formidable single armed force in Western Europe today—if the Allies agree.

The Bonn Government, backed by the Americans, is urging this new German General Staff plan on the rest of the Atlantic Fact nations.

Within a few months, believe high Allied observers in Bonn, the German General Staff will almost certainly get the "go-ahead" signal for its new Wehrmacht.

Behind barred windows of a four-storey red brick building in a Bonn back street two Hitler generals, with a skeleton staff of aristocratic former colonels and majors, today are planning the last details of that new Wehrmacht.

Hidden in other Bonn Ministries are at least another dozen

dark-suited Hitler generals—seven in the Ministry of the Interior alone.

Key men are the elusive generals behind the barred windows, former German High Command Operations Chief Adolf Heusinger and Rommel's ex-Chief of Staff Hans Speidel.

Neither of them was a Nazi, for no German General Staff officer was permitted to join the party. Both finished the war, however, as Lieutenant-generals, but nobody knows what they really thought about Hitler.

### So secret

**H**EUSINGER was the Führer's constant companion for years at his Russian Front headquarters, until he was arrested after the 1944 bomb plot, when defeat seemed inevitable.

Thin, spectacled Speidel planned the German offensive against the Second Front. In the immediate post-war years of defeat he became a professor of philosophy.

For more than a year the two generals, with their chief assistants, former Colonel Count Kielmannsegg and former Major von den Bussche, have planned in their half-hidden Bonn War Ministry. The Germans describe it officially as "The Service Office of the Federal Prince Minister."

So secret is their work that the main door of the new German Foreign Office is permanently barred, and visitors are admitted only after a strict "vetting" by a Prussian N.C.O.-type porter.

### Master plan

**B**IT by bit the German generals have revealed their plans to Allied diplomats and officers in Bonn.

The Allied Foreign Ministers' conference in Brussels at the end of last year, which agreed to the formation of a German Army, let the generals come out into the open. But the German General Staff master plan is still known to only a few Allied officials.

Recently, at the Paris talks on a European army, the Germans demanded that their plan should be accepted—complete Frenchmen, with memories of three German invasions in 70 years, were alarmed.

Other Allied observers thought the German generals showed an overweening military ambition in people who had suffered catastrophic defeat only six years before.

This is the master plan—still an official secret—to which Britain has not yet agreed and to which the French are firmly opposed.

**I**A A WEHRMACHT of 250,000 German conscripts, serving two years each.

**SIX ARMY CORPS**, each of two divisions 12,000 men strong (despite French insistence that no German unit should be more than 5,000 to 6,000).

**REVIVAL** of the German General Staff.

**CREATION** of a German War Ministry with a civilian War Minister.

5. LUFTWAFFE of 2,000 planes, all Allied manufactured, including 600 Ju 88s.

6. NAVAL SQUADRONS for defence in North Sea and Baltic.

Allied diplomats taking part in the Paris negotiations say that the French are adamant in opposition to No. 3 and No. 4.

The French are too late. When with Britain and America, they agreed last December to negotiations on a German Army, they themselves created the new German General Staff—and the German generals were not slow to seize their opportunity.

Now American, disappointed by French and Benelux aid for Western defence plans, has started a major boost for the immediate creation of the army.

American High Commissioner John McCloy said in Bonn recently that there will have to be compromises. "Great and fundamental strategic decisions," said Mr McCloy, "are awaiting the solution of the German rearmament problem."

Only Britain is silent. No official statement of policy on the German Army has been issued since a formal announcement six months ago that Britain had agreed only—in principle—to the formation of a German Army.

—(London Express Service.)

### AMERICAN NEWSCOPE

## Cigarette Slow-up

From Newell Rogers

NEW YORK.

**A**mericans who, aided by the women, smoke far more cigarettes than anyone else in the world, face a terrific new onslaught of advertising from the big tobacco concerns.

Last year's sales were only 21 percent, above 1949, and the industry has been used to seeing them climb comfortably between 10 and 20 percent, every year.

So millions more in money will be poured out to get millions more in smokes.

**BOOK PUBLISHERS** are in the dumps, and they say they will have to put up the prices of books—the ordinary, hard-backed kind, that is.

Their sales have been badly hurt by mushrooming paper-backed editions, which are 25 percent cheaper.

**A** MAN who bears one of the most famous names in America's history, "the recipe for happiness" to 100 boys just starting out in life after spending two years at a school "for the under-privileged and maladjusted" at Dobbs Ferry, New York:—

"There are two simple principles find out what it is that interests you and that you can well do, and when you find it put your whole soul into it."

**REVIVAL** of the German General Staff.

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## UNDER-COVER GIRL

\* The mother who was shunned as a traitor tells **FREDERICK COOK**: How I worked in the Communist headquarters

Washington.

"HUSH a moment," said the dark-haired young mother. She passed her baby a toy and turned again to talking about the days when she used to hear people muttering about "That traitor" as she passed on the street.

One bitter day came back to mind with extra clarity, the day they brought home the body of her brother, killed in the war for burial in the little church yard of Chesterbrook, Virginia, just outside Washington, where they had both been brought up.

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That day people were murmuring about what a shame it was such a fine young fellow should have a sister like Mary Stalecup. Why couldn't she be a loyal American like him?

What people did not know—and what she could not tell them—was that listing of her name by the American Activities Committee as a leading Communist was all part of the game. She could not very well explain that she was the Under-cover Girl No. 1 for the FBI inside the headquarters of the Communist apparatus in Washington.

"Of course, I agreed, after thinking about it a while. I did not say a word to George, my fiance, though we were to be married very soon.

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## Draw For 3rd Round Of Open Pairs

The draw for the third round of the Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Championship is as follows:

**AUGUST 7**  
At HKFC — Winners of N.J. Razack & A.H. Abbott or F. M. Omar & U.M. Omar v winners of Y.A. Nunes & J.A. V. de Alarcón or F.M. Alarcón & A.A. Lopes. A.R. Minu & A.K. Minu v winners of M.S. McKay & R.B. Robertson or K.M. Omar & A.M. Gurnett.

At CCC — Winners of D.A. Neish & B. Maslem or W.C. Simpson & J. McKeivie v S.E. Souza & A.V. Gomes.

At KCC — P. Hughes & W.M. McCall v winners of N.A. Beltrão & R.M.V. Ribeiro or A.E. Coates & D.W. Bradbury or L.M. Rossbridge & G. Kaye v winners of F. & W.C. Ogilvy or H.D. Dewar & A.C. Steward v winners of F. Francis & A. Bailey or A.H. Seemin & A.M. Wahab.

**AUGUST 8**

At HKFC — W. Hong Sling v winners of Y.A. Razack & J.S. Landolt or M.A. Grimpel & W. Baker.

At KBCG — H.A. Ozorio, G. da Silva & J.F. da Silva v G. & W. Cameron or W.M. Davidson & R.S. Gourlay v winners of J.A. da Luz & R.F. da Luz or A.M. Alves & A.M. Souza.

**YESTERDAY'S GAME**

In a third round match of the Colony Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Championship yesterday, G. Perkins and W. Cameron beat B. A. Mansell and B. Blackford by 24-17. The winners led all the way.

**TODAY'S MATCHES**

The following third round matches in the open singles lawn bowl championship will be played today:

At HKFC—U.M. Omar v J.F. da Silva; A.R. Minu v J.F. da Silva.

At CCC—M.R. Hassan v H.M. Ibrahim; A.K. Minu v R.M.V. Ribeiro.

At KBCG—W. Hong Sling v F. Lee.

At KCC—M.S. McKay v W.J. Bailey.

**TEAMS**

Club de Recreio "Whites" team for their League now at Kowloon Dockside tomorrow, commencing 3.30 p.m. is—R.M.V. Ribeiro, A.F. Gomes, M.A. Baptista, A.M. Souza, J. Rocha, H.R. Pinna, C.P. Basto, L.F. Xavier, G.A. Noronha, L.A. Barreto, A.A. Remedios, C. Nunes, P. Ferreira.

Kowloon Dock Club 1st Division lawn bowl League team for tomorrow, commencing 3.15 p.m. is—W. A. J. Bayne, W. L. McCall, W. M. Davidson, & W. J. Marshallay.

At KCC—F. Collins, J. R. Bicker & R. S. Gourlay.

## TODAY'S SPORT

### ATHLETICS

Annual meeting of Amateur Athletic Federation of Hongkong, Jacobean Room, H.K. Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

### LAWN BOWLS

Open singles championship third round at HKFC, CCC, KBCG and KCC.

## HAROLD MAYES Talking Sport

# BILLIARDS BOSSES GET TOUGH WITH PROFESSIONALS

Most regular of sport's hardy annuals is the tug-o-war between the Billiards Association and Control Council and the professionals, as represented by the Professional Billiards Players' Association, concerning conditions for the world snooker championship.

As July follows July you can lay any odds you like that the battle will be on between the controlling body and the professionals, and this year is no exception.

There is, however, a very subtle difference to the latest argument. Previously, there have been stand-outs, with drawals, refusals, objections by the players, but they have invariably ended with some form of agreement—no matter how unsatisfactory it may have been to some of the parties, and the championship, therefore, has just gone on.

This year's difference? Well, the governing body, and not before time—have decided that they will govern and unless something like a near-miracle happens you can bet your boots that no official world championship will be played this winter and the title will be declared vacant.

### TWO ENTRIES—MINUS ONE

July 21 was closing date for entries. The total muster, as far as I could gather, stood at two, with one already having risked forfeiture of £20 stake for asking permission to withdraw.

All along the line the professionals have found something with which they decided not to agree. This year it is the question of their payment. The Council's conditions lay down that the players in the final shall share 50 per cent. of the net profit. The PBPA is pressing for 60% per cent. of the gross takings with some form of control over the expenses of the event as well.

Right to the last moment they have gone on holding a pistol in the heads of the Control Council and only a couple of days ago sent a letter to the BA and CC in which they stated that unless their objections are met by August 13 no member of the PBPA will take part in the championships.

Now July 21 was the closing date for entries, but it is obvious from the suggestion of the August 13 date that the professionals feel that the BA and CC will take the view that "conciliation" is the best form of government, a phrase we have heard all too often in connection with this business, and that some ironing-out can be done.

**NOT TAKING DICTATION**

This time, though, by all accounts, they will be sadly mistaken, for the Council is determined to put a stop to the annual struggle for supremacy. One member of the Council told me: "The Council's conditions must be adhered to. We are not going to be dictated to."

He added: "The governing bodies in other sports do not stand for this kind of thing from players. They lay down their rules and conditions and the players have two alternatives—to play or not to play. Billiards players have had the same two alternatives and I

think the Council will require to seriously consider the advisability of sending teams from here to Manila with each of the 1st Class Teams we have on visit from Europe, as it must tax the getting off from business of several of our 1st Class players, and at times interfere with some of our own games in Hongkong. Our School Boys played Manila here and some fine games were seen."

Which could mean another fantastic rise in league club salaries, for some of the visitors have astronomical ideas of their own value, like one colourful player whose estimate of his own worth for a recent second rate tour was £30 a day. I don't need to tell you he didn't go on the tour.

### Stewards' Cup Probables

London, July 30.

There are 22 probable starters for the Stewards' Cup, which is to be run at 2.10 p.m. GMT, over six furlongs at Goodwood tomorrow.

They are, with jockeys: Blue Book (E. Britt), Tancred (K. Morley), Leica (W. Guest), Spartan Sacrifice (N. Sellwood), Donore (W. H. Carr), Hemmings (C. Smirk), Derlmar (D. Smith), Minaret (Gordon Richards), Peacock Trudy (W. R. Johnstone), Denlinik (S. Millbank), Richard Louis (T. Gosling), Star Signal (W. Rickaby), The Blue (H. Macrur), Balbuzard (E. Mearce), Stratolight (W. T. Evans), Silver Penny (F. Durr), Glorious (A. Brasier), Sugar Bowl (W. Smith), Gledhill Lass (J. Etherington), Fancy Inn (L. Pigott), Three Star (D. W. Morris). Reuter.

At present at Home on leave is our President, Sir Arthur Morse and Mr Gordon, who are trying to get a Coach from UK.

The weather in Hong Kong was quite good.

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HAUNTED? THAT'S RIDICULOUS!

COME BACK--

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11th Aug.	"THIADANE"	Macassar, Java Ports & Singapore
14th Aug.	"TIJTALENOKA"	Japan
15th Aug.	"TASMAN"	S. Africa, Mauritius & Singapore
22nd Aug.	"THIDEBAN"	Japan
23rd Aug.	"DOBBSEVAIN"	Japan

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13th Aug.	"AAGTEKERK"	Japan
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Date	Ship	To
15th Aug.	"AAGTEKERK"	Manila, Singapore & Europe
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## Rubber Controls And Consumption

New York, July 30.

Controls on the use of rubber brought drastic changes in the pattern of United States consumption in the first half of 1951, the Rubber Manufacturers Association reported today.

Total new rubber consumption rose two percent in the first six months of 1951 but the use of natural rubber dropped 32.65 percent while synthetic rubber rose 50.59 percent compared with the corresponding 1951 period.

Total new rubber consumption was reported at 910,441 long tons against 500,045 tons in the first half of 1950. Natural rubber consumption dropped to 240,517 long tons from 362,491 tons.

The use of synthetic rubber increased to 370,424 long tons from 303,554 tons in the first half of last year.

The controls on natural rubber and the tight supply of synthetic rubber boosted the use of reclaimed rubber 44.82 percent to 192,214 long tons from 132,727 tons in the first half of 1950.

During June, rubber consumption decreased 1.23 percent to 107,668 long tons from 109,000 tons consumed in May.

Natural rubber consumption last month declined 4.99 percent to 401,777 long tons from 42,730 long tons in May.

Use of synthetic rubber totalled 60,891 long tons, an increase of .94 percent over 60,267 long tons consumed in May.

Reclaimed rubber consumption in June was estimated at 31,654 long tons, a decrease of 7.40 percent from 34,207 long tons used in May.—United Press.

## SURPLUS OF COTTON

Washington, July 30.

The International Cotton Advisory Committee reported today that world cotton production taking a turn for the better, will result in surplus this season.

Cotton output slumped seriously last year but, according to the Committee, it now has recovered so well that it will outstrip consumption by 2,000,000 or 3,000,000 bales.

The 1950-51 crop was 27,000,000 bales whereas this season's output is estimated at between 35,000,000 and 36,000,000.

Because of the better outlook, the Committee said, "the world cotton picture is shifting from difficulty in obtaining raw cotton to selling of cotton textiles made of higher priced raw materials."—United Press.

Washington, July 30.

The House unanimously approved a stop-gap money resolution today to keep the Federal Government operating through August 31, while the Congress clears up a huge backlog of appropriation bills. The resolution also makes \$2,000,000,000 in aid available to refugees from Palestine. The bill now goes to the Senate for action.—United Press.

## Talks On Rubber Purchase

Colombo, July 30. It was reported today that negotiations are taking place between the United States and Ceylon for an expert to come here from the United States to discuss the bulk-buying of Ceylon's rubber.

Since Ceylon has decided not to adhere to the U.N. decision for an embargo on strategic materials to Communist China and North Korea, the question of American bulk-buying of Ceylon's rubber has resulted in negotiations between the two Governments.

Efforts have been made to reach a satisfactory agreement between the United Kingdom and Ceylon during the war, which was a government-to-government transaction, the arrangement with the United States is expected to be between the United States Government and Ceylonese trade circles with the Ceylonese Government guaranteeing the availability of surplus required by the United States.

A minimum price of four shillings and a maximum price of six shillings per pound will be demanded by Ceylon from the United States. This demand was made by Ceylon at the London and Rome rubber conferences also.

The fact that the United States, being aware of this demand, is again negotiating, is construed here as an indication that the United States is prepared to concede to the demand.

If the negotiations succeed, the Ceylonese producer will be assured of two rupees and 60 cents a pound whereas today's price is about one rupee and 70 cents.—United Press.

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at \$183,457.50. Noon prices and the morning's transactions:

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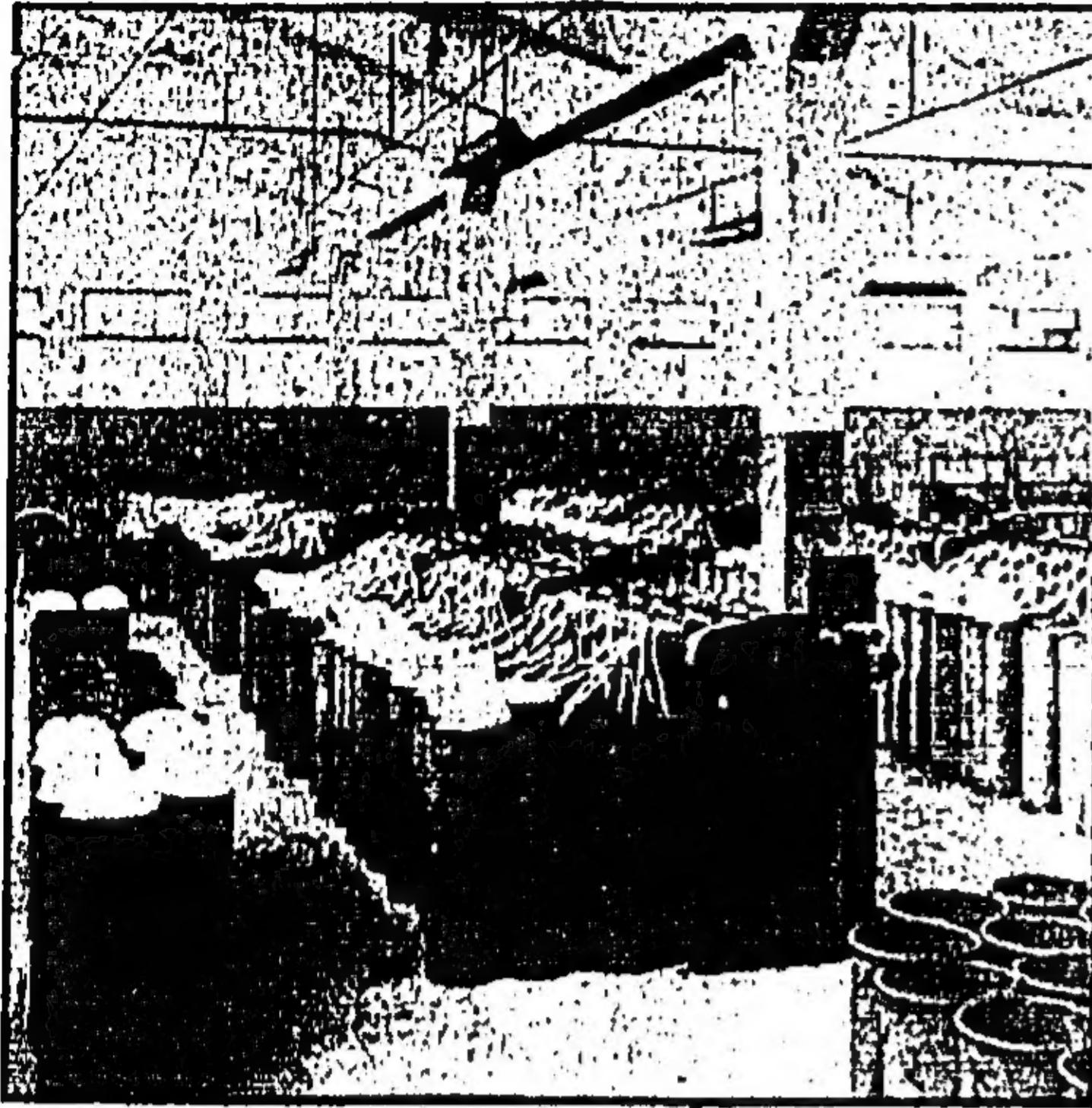
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The drawing process in a Hongkong cotton spinning factory is illustrated by this picture.

## SQUATTERS ORDERED TO QUIT

More than 6,000 registration of persons forms were handed out in two hours in Kowloon this morning, and another 4,000 were issued at the Hennessy Road Government School in Hongkong during the same period.

This week is the last opportunity for members of the general public who have not hitherto registered to obtain the necessary forms.

Registration will be completed on Friday.

The total number of Kowloon residents who applied for registration papers at the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday was about 12,000 said an official of the Registration Department this morning.

Defendants were not present and were not legally represented.

Mr Peter Mo appeared for the plaintiff who gave evidence in support of his claim.

## GAVE FALSE INFORMATION

For giving false information to the Police in order to collect \$34 reward, Wong Kam was sentenced to two months by Mr Winter at Kowloon this morning.

Inspector Jones said that on July 27 the defendant told detectives at Yaumati that he knew of four Chinese who had three revolvers and who were meeting at a teahouse that night or the next to conspire to commit an armed robbery. A party of Police waited at the teahouse for two days, but in vain, while the remainder of the Yaumati CID staff stood by at the station. The defendant could not be found until yesterday when he confessed that he had told a lie.

### INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

LET the speed of the current be in miles per hour. Then Victor's speed downstream is 11 m.p.h. and his speed upstream is 9 m.p.h. The distance covered by Victor before turning back is miles. Then  $\frac{1}{2} \text{ m} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ m} + 9 \text{ m}$ . Whence  $\frac{1}{2} \text{ m} = 9 \text{ m}$ . When  $\frac{1}{2} \text{ m} = 9 \text{ m}$ , then  $\frac{1}{2} \text{ m} = 9 \text{ m}$ . After covering a miles 180 yards.

London Express Service

### CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. Colonia. 2. Europe, Asia and Africa. 3. Franz Liszt. 4. 4 to 6 p.m., and 8 to 8 p.m. 5. A species of mackerel found in European seas. 6. A. witicism, a pun.

### Obstacles Ahead

From this remarkably rapid progress, one may judge how fast the textile industry could leap ahead were it not for seemingly insurmountable obstacles in its path. When America set up an embargo against the export of raw cotton, amongst other commodities, which with Egyptian types provide some of the best in the world, there was, for a time, a frantic quest for this raw material, which was finally obtained from many other small sources such as Pakistan, East Africa, Turkey, Brazil and Burma, but not without paying prices considerably higher than those ruling in America.

Whereas India could sell her 20s count of yarn for HK\$700 per bale in June and July of last year, locally manufactured yarn was selling at HK\$1,200 per bale. Indian went up to \$1,700 in October and by December had reached \$1,750 as compared with the local product which was selling for \$1,600 in September, \$2,200 in October and back again to \$1,950 per bale in December. No wonder, when expenses were high and other manufacturers did not know whether they were coming or going.

This unpredictable factor of costs caused many of the smaller manufacturers in the weaving industry to close down and before the border was barred last November, many workers had returned to China because the cost of living was reputed to be cheaper, without, however, affecting the number of skilled workers available for employment in the larger factories.

Having laid in stocks of cotton at ceiling prices, which the countries mentioned above were demanding for their raw material, the prices in America have come down with a bang, forcing all other growers to do likewise and leaving Hongkong industrialists in a decidedly awkward position.

On the other hand, it would have been equally worrying to have been left without stocks, facing a position of possible unemployment on a considerable scale. Fortunately most of the American cotton, off-loaded in

all the post-war industries in Hongkong which have made what might fairly be described as dramatic progress, cotton spinning takes first place.

The textile trade, in fact, has become one of the Colony's biggest absorbers of skilled labour, and the success or otherwise of this industry impinges itself sharply on the general welfare of Hongkong.

Here below, then, our staff correspondent who is writing a series of special articles on local light industries, tells readers something about . . .

## COTTON SPINNING IN HONGKONG

Until 1947 there was not a single cotton spinning mill in the Colony. That year saw the completion of one very small mill of some 4,000 spindles, but by November, what was to become one of the largest cotton mills in Hongkong and equal to the best equipped cotton spinning and weaving mills in the world, had begun to make its appearance.

The Nanyang Cotton Mill, for instance, was designed to contain masses of machinery brought over from America. The foundations were started in November, 1947. By April, 1948, the Mill was in partial operation and by August of that same year 20,000 spindles were revolving at 11,000 times per minute. Since then another 5,000 spindles have been added together with a complement of looms.

Only two other mills outside the Nanyang in size; the Hongkong Cotton Mill with 38,000 spindles and the Kowloon Textiles with about a thousand less in number. There are now thirteen cotton spinning mills, operating some 200,000 spindles, duly established, all of them located in Kowloon, stretching up the Castle Peak Road as far as Tsun Wan Village—their normal capacity being doubled by workers operating two shifts, so that the spindles turn day and night.

Thirty-one per cent of the Colony's registered workers are in the textile trade, some 8,112 people are alone in the cotton spinning mills. By the end of March this year thirteen new weaving sheds were in operation.

### Problem Solved

One thing is, however, certain. The problem caused by the lack of cotton now no longer exists. Seventeen million bales, if a good weaving programme could easily be increased to eighteen million bales, is a figure which the Americans expect to harvest shortly—September or October will complete on approximately accounts amount. While we have European, Brazilian, Argentine, Pakistan and Indian cottons, America by herself grows more than half of the world's cotton and she leads the markets with the lowest comparative prices.

True it is that the position in Hongkong has become a little easier since Shanghai has ceased to export her cotton yarns and piece goods to Hongkong—one competitor out of the way, but whether permanently, is anyone's guess.

### Vital Factors

Cotton is selected for its quality, length of staple, cleanliness and colour and these factors decide the fineness of the cotton. If a cotton is selected from being stored in bales, located in a proof warehouse, the raw cotton is taken and blended together with other types. It is cleaned and sorted, then the cotton is ginned and made into laps of a set weight. From there it passes on to the carding or combing department.

One thing is, however, certain. The problem caused by the lack of cotton now no longer exists. Seventeen million bales, if a good weaving programme could easily be increased to eighteen million bales, is a figure which the Americans expect to harvest shortly—September or October will complete on approximately accounts amount. While we have European, Brazilian, Argentine, Pakistan and Indian cottons, America by herself grows more than half of the world's cotton and she leads the markets with the lowest comparative prices.

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